

RHIC and AGS Users Executive Committee Monthly Meeting

Second Thursday of each month, Noon-2:00 PM (Eastern)

Special Meeting time Today because we have a special guest

10/12/2017

Today's Guest



Dr. Doon Gibbs, Director of Brookhaven National Laboratory

https://www.bnl.gov/about/org/gibbs.php

- Ph.D. from the University of Illinois (1982)
- Scientific career at BNL
 - X Ray scattering studies of magnetic materials and surfaces
 - DOE Outstanding Accomplishment in Solid State Physics (1985)
 - A.H. Compton Award for pioneering work ... in X ray scattering (2003)
- Management career at BNL
 - Group Leader for X ray scattering
 - Associate and Deputy Chair of the Physics Department
 - Head of Condensed Matter Physics
 - Director of Center for Functional Nanomaterials
 - ALD for Basic Energy Sciences & Deputy Director for Science & Tech.
 - Laboratory Director and President of BSA (2013)
- Scientific Programs and Facilities at BNL
 - Designed and built the Center for Functional Nanomaterials
 - NSLS II, Computational Science Initiative, Discovery Park

UEC Membership



Name	Position	Term	Affiliation
<u>Jim Thomas</u>	Chair	6/17 - 6/18	The Berkeley Lab
Rosi Reed	Chair Elect	6/17 - 6/18	Lehigh University
<u>Lijuan Ruan</u>	Past Chair	6/17 - 6/18	Brookhaven National Laboratory
Megan Connors	Member	6/16 - 6/19	Georgia State University
Brett Fadem	Member	6/16 - 6/19	Muhlenberg College
Justin Frantz	Member	6/17 - 6/20	Ohio University
Tony Frawley	Member	6/17 - 6/20	Florida State University
Jacquelyn Noronha-Hostler	Member	6/17 - 6/20	Rutgers University
<u>Claudia Ratti</u>	Member	6/16 - 6/19	University of Houston
<u>Sevil Salur</u>	Member	6/16 - 6/19	Rutgers University
Bjoern Schenke	Member	6/16 - 6/19	Brookhaven National Laboratory
Bernd Surrow	Member	6/15 - 6/18	Temple University
<u>Aihong Tang</u>	Member	6/16 - 6/19	Brookhaven National Laboratory
Kenneth Barish	Appointed Member	6/17 - 6/19	UC Riverside
Gabor David	Appointed Member	6/16 - 6/18	SUNY @ Stony Brook
Peter Petreczky	Appointed Member	6/16 - 6/18	Brookhaven National Laboratory
Matthew Posik	Appointed Member	6/16 - 6/18	Temple University
Daniel Brandenburg	Student/Post-doc Rep	6/17 - 6/18	Rice University
Alexander Jentsch	Student/Post-doc Rep	6/17 - 6/18	<u>University of Texas</u>
<u>Li Yi</u>	Student/Post-doc Rep	6/17 - 6/18	Yale University
Doon Gibbs	Ex-Officio Member		Brookhaven National Laboratory
<u>Hong Ma</u>	Ex-Officio Member		Brookhaven National Laboratory
Berndt Mueller	Ex-Officio Member		Brookhaven National Laboratory
Thomas Roser	Ex-Officio Member		Brookhaven National Laboratory

The Annual Users Meeting



- Our single biggest activity serious work to begin in January
 - Workshops
 - Plenary sessions
 - Typically Tuesday Friday, mid to late June
 - Chair of the Organizing Committee will be Prof. Rosi Reed
- Save the Date
 - Tell your Friends, tell our Competitors(!)
 - June 12 15, 2018
 - (Actually, it is very important that we advertise this date so that competing meetings don't accidently overlap our dates.
 For example, the BNL Physics Department Colloquium committee, Quark Matter and the JLAB Users Meeting.)

Open Forums



- We conduct an open forum twice a year: at the Fall DNP Meeting and at the Annual Users Meeting
 - The goal is to hear directly from Users regarding issues that affect User research & productivity while using BNL facilities
- The Fall DNP Meeting is held in October
 - We usually have a brief professional meeting and dinner/social in conjunction with the Open Forum
 - Rosi has all the details
- The Annual Users Meeting is held in June

Rosi's Update on the DNP Meeting



- Room is secure, waiting to hear back from organizers on food
- Kelly has designed the flier
- 2 speakers on HI and Spin
 - Isaac Upsal
 - Jim Drachenberg
- Indico page is already set up at:
 - https://indico.bnl.gov/conferenceDisplay.py?confld=3714
 - There will be a bluejeans link to the meeting

Funding, Politics and Programmatics



- We invented several new activities last year
 - They have tremendous merit and I would like to propose that we pursue them again this year
 - 1. Letter to Congress
 - A letter to our congressional representatives recommending robust support for Science Funding
 - Authors to be solicited at the AUM the timing is perfect

Perhaps Justin + Volunteer can draft a template & report back in 2 months

- 2. Recommend a slate of Candidate for the APS/DNP Executive Committee
 - Ask RHIC Users to send nominations to DNP Nominating Committee
 - Slate of candidates to be selected by UEC, and signatures solicited at AUM. Again, the timing is perfect ... due by July 1st.

Two Volunteers (raise your hand) to evaluate past candidates and past winners to tell us what to look for in a candidate. See DNP newsletters. Report back to the UEC in 2 months time.

UEC Working Groups and Committees



- Site Access and Science
 - Badging, training, the EIC, etc.
- Funding, Politics and Programmatics
 - Washington DC trip, Petitions, Letters, etc.
- Meetings, Communications and Outreach
 - AUM, DNP, open forums, etc.
- Quality of Life
 - Food (especially access to food at odd hours), Housing,
 Transportation, Day Care (or lack there-of), etc.
- Diversity
 - Maintaining a diverse, productive and stress free work force

Please propose new ideas and activities!

Things to remember



UEC Monthly Meetings on the 2nd Thursday of each Month

October 12th Director Gibbs

November 9th Abhay Deshpande

December 14th Thomas Roser

January 11th Michael Thoennessen (APS, formerly MSU/FRIB)

Primary Web address for the UEC (it is a little slow, so be patient)

– http://www.rhicuec.org

Communication with the UEC

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Kelly and Kathy's Corner



A brief pause to allow Kelly and Kathy to report on important news



Backup Slides

The people who really do the hard work ...



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